

REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Directing the Collections of Contribution Amounts from Inamdars, etc.

READ—

Para 7 of Government Order No. R. 7671-21—R. M. 66-08, dated 5th March 1916, observing that the Inamdar is primarily responsible for the amount of contribution on lands rendered irrigable by Government in Inam villages.

2. Letter No. C. 3603—G1. 21-22, dated 17th January 1923, from the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore, stating that as, observed in the Government Order read above, it is desirable to have dealings directly only with the Inamdars in the matter of the recovery of contribution and recommending the grant of a commission of 12 per cent to the Inamdars for collecting the entire demand under contribution.

ORDER NO. R. 4763-64—L. R. 47-22-7, DATED BANGALORE, 21ST APRIL 1923.

Government are pleased to direct that the contribution amounts be collected from the Inamdars and that they be given a commission of 12 per cent on the amount of contribution collected from tenants of Inam villages having permanent occupancy rights.

T. E. JEYARAMA AIYAR,
Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Approving of the Shekdars conducting Pahani inspection in Inam villages.

READ—

Government Order No. R. 7450-9—L. R. 406-13-4, dated 31st January 1916, directing the grant to Inamdars of a commission of 12 per cent on the amount of water-rate collected from their Kadim tenants on lands rendered irrigable by Government works of irrigation.

2. Correspondence ending with letter No. C. 127—G1. 22-23, dated 13—15th January 1923, from the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore, submitting certain proposals for systematising the procedure to be followed in the case of collection of water-rate.

3. Correspondence ending with letter No. C. 412—G1. 22-23, dated 6th March 1923, from the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore, recommending that Shekdars may be empowered to do pahani inspection of Inam villages within their respective charges to prevent surreptitious use of water.

ORDER NO. R. 4765-66—L. R. 305-22-2, DATED 21ST APRIL 1923.

The Revenue Commissioner in his letter dated 15th January 1923, states that in some cases the Inamdars collect the water-rate and are paid commission at the rate of 12 per cent as per Government Order dated 31st January 1916, read above, while in other cases the Taluk Officers collect the said rate directly from the Kadim tenants, and that in the latter case it is not equitable to enforce the Inamdars' primary liability for the entire water-rate in the village as both the supply of water and the recovery of the rate are made without his knowledge and that the practice is also irregular as Government should have no direct dealings ordinarily with the tenants. The Revenue Commissioner accordingly recommends that the Inamdar should be held solely liable not only for the jodi, but for the water-rate also under Sections 142 and 53 of the Land Revenue Code, that though it is not obligatory to obtain his prior consent either for the supply of water or for the levy of the rate, it is desirable that he should always be consulted regarding the supply of water and his objections, if any, heard before water is supplied to the tenants and that if he refuses his consent on inadequate grounds, Government can overrule his objections and hold the Inamdar responsible for the water-rate, it being open to him to recover it from the tenants under clause (c) Section 86, Land Revenue Code.

2. Government are pleased to approve of the Revenue Commissioner's recommendation. The Revenue Commissioner is requested to expedite the submission of his views as to the authority that should sanction bills for the collection of water-rate, a point on which his opinion was called for in para 2 of Government Order No. R. 1067-8—L. R. 46-22-2, dated 15th August 1922.

3. The Revenue Commissioner's recommendation in his letter dated 6th March 1923, read above that Shekdars may be authorised to conduct pahani inspection in Inam villages within their respective charges to prevent surreptitious use of Government water is approved tentatively. A report as to the working of this measure should be submitted to Government at the end of two years.

T. E. JEYARAMA AIYAR,
Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department.